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ABSTRACT:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a printer for securing a confidentiality in the case of printing of a document having a high confidentiality.

SOLUTION: The printer comprises a normal mode for printing print data of a normal low confidentiality and a confidential mode for printing print data of a high confidentiality. In the confidential mode, a controller 34 writes print data received from a host system in a user storage area of a memory 32, collates it with a password input from an operating and displaying unit 35, a received user ID, a user ID and a password registered with a password table of a key code memory 33, reads the data stored in the user storage area of the memory 32 only in the case of bringing the user ID and the password into

coincidence, and conducts a printing operation.

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